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Mr. John Bagrosky Executive Secretary Interagency Committee on Smoking and Health Park Building, Room 1 - 18 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Mr. Bagrosky:

As the representative of the Vermont Grocers' Association, I would appreciate an opportunity to offer my association's perspective at your May 31 meeting. I understand that the subject of that day's discussion will be the sale of tobacco products to minors.

During the past two years, the Vermont Grocers Association has taken positive steps to limit the opportunity for minors to purchase or requive tobacco. Similar efforts have been undertaken in Maine. Connecticut and New Hampshire. I think these efforts have proved to be very successful.

Because these efforts have the same purpose, and in an effort to save the Committee's valuable time. I suggest that I appear with my Connecticut, New Hampshire and Maine colleagues in a panel to discuss our positive efforts.

I look forward to hearing from you so that I can make my travel plans.

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